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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action dated February 27, 2002, from March 27, 2002, to on or before June 27, 2002.

A check for the statutory fee of \$920.00 is attached. Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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